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October 26, 2004

Michael A. Teague, Ph.D.  
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Clariant Corporation  
4000 Monroe Road  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28205

Re: Conceptual Exposure Model and Preliminary Assessment for End Users of Pigment Red  
144 and 214, August 31, 2004

Dear Dr. Teague:

This is in response to your August 31, 2004 submittal which defines a Conceptual Exposure Model for assessing potential exposure risks associated with the use of Clariant Pigments Red 144 and 214.

EPA's contractor, Versar, has completed its review of this submittal. Versar's comments are attached. While the Conceptual Exposure Model appears thorough and no substantial omissions were identified, Versar's comments must be incorporated into the comprehensive risk assessments.

Given that no major revisions to the Exposure Model appear to be needed, EPA expects Clariant to proceed as soon as possible with the comprehensive assessments. Accordingly, EPA requests that Clariant provide its estimated schedule for completion of these assessments within 7 days of receipt of this letter.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (617) 918-1527 or by e-mail at [tisa.kimberly@epa.gov](mailto:tisa.kimberly@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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